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**VIA ECF**

Hon. Jesse M. Furman  
Thurgood Marshall  
United States Courthouse  
40 Foley Square  
New York, New York 10007

Application GRANTED. The Clerk of Court is directed to  
terminate ECF No. 27.

SO ORDERED.

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May 22, 2024

Re: *A.K. v. N.Y.C. Dep't of Educ.*, 23-cv-8890 (JMF)(GWG)

Dear Judge Furman:

I am a Special Assistant Corporation Counsel in the Office of Corporation Counsel, the Hon. Sylvia O. Hinds-Radix, attorney for Defendant, the New York City Department of Education ("DOE"), in the above-referenced action wherein Plaintiff seeks implementation of the Findings of Fact and Decision ("FOFD") from an underlying administrative hearing, as well as attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses for legal work on the administrative hearing and for this action, under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act ("IDEA"), 20 U.S.C. § 1400, *et seq.*

I write on behalf of the parties pursuant to the Court's Order on February 29, 2024 (ECF No. 26) to respectfully request that the Court grant a seven-day extension of the current briefing schedule, extending Plaintiff's time to submit a motion for fees from May 29 to June 5, 2024. This is the first request for an extension of the briefing schedule. The reason for the requested extension is that the parties are currently engaged in settlement discussions—having exchanged offers last week—and remain optimistic that given additional time, this matter will be fully resolved through settlement.

Accordingly, the parties respectfully request that the Court extend the current briefing schedule by seven days, with Plaintiff's motion due June 5, so that the parties may complete settlement discussions.

Thank you for considering this request.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Lauren Howland, Esq.

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cc: Steven J. Alizio, Esq. (via ECF)